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Registration of Communists and Sympathizers in Electoral Rolls

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All active members of the Communist Party of Chile (PCCh) have been instanced to make increased efforts to see that all persons who are potential electrical supporters of the Communist Party are included in the electoral registers In areas consisting of numerous voting districts, they are to attempt the centrate all registrants in a few districts, so that their concentrated wating

- 2. The Party fears that the police may prepare additional "black lists" of these potential sympathizers, thereby undermining the voting strength of the Farty still more. Therefore, all of the electoral registration activity will be carried out at the cell level, and only the cells will know individually how many votes they can control. The police, it is hoped, will not be able to calculate this potential.
- 3. As a general political policy, the Party has decided to refrain from pronouncing in favor of any presidential candidate or nolitical group, in order to strengthen the bergaining position of the Communists.

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